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MEMORANDUM

From:

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Subj: PROMULGATION OF THE 2017 CHARLESTON AREA CONTINGENCY PLAN

Ref:

(a) Charleston Area Contingency Plan, dated 2011

(b) National Contingency Plan, 40 CFR 300

(c) National Incident Management System

(d) Oil Pollution Act of 1990

(e) Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act, 42 USC 9675

(f) Alignment with the National Incident Management System and National Response Plan, COMDTINST 1600.27 (series)

- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>. This plan provides for a coordinated response by federal, state, local and non-governmental forces to discharges, or potential threats of discharge, of oil and hazardous substances. It is designed to be used in conjunction with national, regional, state and other plans. The ACP is supported by other plans and documents maintained by Sector Charleston. The boundaries for this plan include those counties that share jurisdiction with Sector Charleston.
- 2. <u>PUBLICATIONS AFFECTED</u>. This plan supersedes reference (a).
- 3. <u>DISCUSSION</u>. Although this plan is not an inter-agency agreement, each agency has agreed to a coordinated approach to response, information sharing, and to the use of operation center, communications systems, and other capabilities in support of effective response to oil or hazardous substance discharges. All amendments shall be developed and implemented with the cooperation of the below agencies:
 - a. United States Coast Guard Sector Charleston, Area Committee Chair
 - b. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Office of Response and Restoration, Scientific Support Coordinator
 - c. United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Region
 - d. South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
 - e. South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Conservation
- 4. The Area Committee will continue to revise and improve the Area Contingency Plan. Comments and recommendations regarding these changes are welcomed and should be addressed to Sector Charleston at the number indicated above.